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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

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Title: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C.

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AMENDMENT

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In response to the Office Action dated April 17, 2000

following amendments and remarks. Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 1 and 4 as follows:

(Amended) A semiconductor device having a semiconductor body which on a surface comprises an integrated circuit containing protection means for protection against electrostatic discharge (ESD), the means being a compound element of an SCR and a gated diode, the protection means being provided in a surface area of a first conductivity type having a single well of a second, opposite, conductivity type, in which area